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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CLASSIFYING
AUDIO INTO BROAD PHONEME CLASSES
(AKA PHONE DECODER)

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the final Office Action dated October 5, 2007, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

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Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.